



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **TAKADA, Kazuhiko**

Group Art Unit: 3729

Serial No.: 09/986,574

Examiner: **CHANG, RICK KILTAE**

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P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 5839

For: **CRIMPING APPARATUS AND WIRE
HARNESS MANUFACTURING METHOD**

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED JUNE 12, 2003

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated **June 12, 2003**.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-5, drawn to an apparatus; and Group (II), Claims 11-12, drawn to a method.

Applicant provisionally hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-5 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

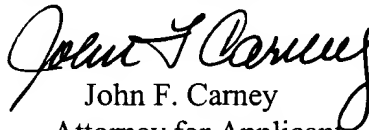
In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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Respectfully submitted,

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